

**OFFICIAL****REMARKS**

Claims 1-18 are pending in the application. Claims 8-18 have been canceled, without prejudice. Claim 1 has been amended, and claims 19-28 have been added.

In the Office Action mailed July 17, 2003, a restriction requirement was issued requiring election among the following groups:

Group I: claims 1-7, drawn to an opto-electronic device, classified in class 257, and subclass 778;

Group II: Claims 8-10, drawn to a method of making an opto-electronic device, classified in class 438, and subclass 108;

Group III: Claims 11-14, drawn to a method of operating a thermo-optic switch, classified in class 385, and subclass 16; and

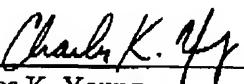
Group IV: Claims 15-18, drawn to a system comprising a thermo-optic switch and an electrical controller, classified in class 385, and subclass 4.

Applicant elects Group I (claims 1-7). Applicant has added claims 19-28, which Applicant believes reads on Group I. Applicant has canceled claims 8-18, without prejudice.

If there are any additional charges, please charge them to our Deposit Account Number 02-2666.

Very truly yours,

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